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## **July Teen Activities at Velma Teague Branch Library**

Glendale, Arizona –Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Ave., is planning the following activities for young adults, ages 12-18, in July:

### **Wednesdays, June-July Book Buddies Volunteer Program**

Sometimes you just want to do something for someone else...and have good time while you are doing it. Teens, this is a perfect summertime activity. Book Buddies is a volunteer program that matches teens with children in grades K-3 for a weekly one-on-one reading experience in the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Ave.

To be a Book Buddy, volunteers must be between the ages of 12-18, have a desire to work with elementary age children and a willingness to develop cooperative, friendly relationships. Book Buddies must also be willing to commit to volunteering for two hours on Wednesday afternoons, from June 7-July 26.

Applications will be available at the adult reference desk and selected applicants will be contacted by telephone. For more information, call 623-930-3431.

### **Thursday, July 6 Yo Ho Ho, Matey, It's Pirate Mutiny @ the Library on July 6**

It will be fun for the whole family—children, teens and adults will not want to jump ship when “Pirate Mutiny @ the Library” takes place from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 6 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Ave.

All landlubbers should get ready to set sail on an ocean of adventure. There will be a horde of swashbuckling games, crafts, storytelling, and a treasure hunt – with prizes of movie tickets to “Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man’s Chest”! The only thing missing from a perfect evening is the ultimate pirate himself, Jack Sparrow.

Since Johnny Depp could not make it, storyteller Layne Gneiting, who has a Ph.D. in Performance Studies from Arizona State University, will be on board to share adventure tales of pirates on the high seas. Hailed as a gifted artist, Gneiting uses a velvet voice to glide fluidly among a host of character voices and vocal effects in his story telling.

The program is free. Call 623-930-3437 for more information.

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## **Monday, July 10**

### **Creep Show @ the Teague**

A chill down your spine is one way to cool off from the summer heat. Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Ave., will be the site for a horror film series for teens called Creep Show @ the Teague. "War of the Worlds" will be shown at 6 p.m. on Monday, July 10.

A contemporary retelling of H.G. Wells' seminar classic, this sci-fi adventure thriller reveals the extraordinary battle for the future of humankind through the eyes of one American family fighting to survive it. Tom Cruise, Dakota Fanning, Tim Robbins, Miranda Otto and Justin Chatwin star in the film.

Bring a pillow or blanket to sit on; popcorn is provided.

The movie is rated "PG-13." Registration is not required. For more information, call 623-930-3431. This free program is for teens, ages 12-18.

## **Friday, July 21**

### **"Face Reality!" Teen After Hours**

Teens take over the library during this fast-paced night of "reality television"-style competition from 6-8:30 p.m. on Friday, July 21 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Ave. There will also be music and free pizza. Come prepared to compete in exciting challenges featured in some of the favorite reality television shows including "The Amazing Race," "Fear Factor," and "Survivor."

Teams of three or four teens will visit a number of challenge stations located throughout the library. Each challenge station will require the teams to perform some sort of physical or mental task similar to those featured in reality TV. It could be eating a vile smorgasbord of foods, answering bizarre trivia questions, successfully guiding a blindfolded teammate through the "Maze of Doom," or other demanding tasks. Teams will accumulate points for each successfully completed task. The team with the most points at the end of the evening will receive a prize pack that will include free Harkins movie passes.

Registration opens July 3; call 623-930-3431. The program is free and open to teens, ages 12-18.

## **Saturday, July 29**

### **Magnificent Marble Magnets**

Would you like to make a cool crafty item that you can keep or give away? Would you enjoy a craft project that does not take hours and hours for intricate steps?

"Magnificent Marble Magnets" will take place from 2-3:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 29 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Ave. Teens will use specially designed flat marbles and pictures cut out of old magazines to create funky, decorative magnets to stick on your locker, refrigerator or give as a gift.

Registration opens on July 10; call 623-930-3431. The program is free and open to teens, ages 12-18.

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